Irregularities in Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

†429. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have been many irregularities in the expenditure made for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan, during the past few years, as a result the expenditure was made on those items for which the money was not allotted;

(b) if so, what are the details of expenditure made during the last three years and the details of the expenditure made on work-wise allotted items and expenditure on the items for which the amount was not allotted; and

(c) the action being taken to prevent irregularities in the coming years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) In the light of the report on the Performance Audit of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), submitted by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India in August 2006, for the period 2001-02 to 2004-05 and the examination of the points raised therein, by the Government of India and State/UT SSA programmes, an amount of about Rs. 53 crores can be classified as expenditure not covered under the SSA guidelines.

(c) The States/UTs have already been strictly instructed to avoid recurrence of such instances in future. Government of India is monitoring the use of SSA funds through annual State/UT audits, independent concurrent financial reviews and field monitoring through 41 social science institutions.

Reservation in foreign higher educational institutes

430. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering for OBC reservation in foreign higher educational institutes also;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

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(c) whether Government have also discussed it with the foreign institutes and if so, the reaction of these institutes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) to (c) A policy to regulate the entry and operations, as well as to prevent commercialization of higher education, by foreign edcuational institutions is under consideration of the Government.

FDI in Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan

†431. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:
SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to open Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan for FDI;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether Government have formulated any scheme to bring about consensus in this regard and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) In view of (a) above, question does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

Report of J.M. Lyngdoh Committee

432. DR. NARAYAN SINGH MANAKLAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that J.M. Lyngdoh Committee has submitted its report regarding growing use of money and muscle power in college and university elections;

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